



## Welcome to our July Newsletter



June has been another phenomenal month for us at York House.

We absolutely loved welcoming Stony Open Gardens and loved seeing people enjoying our wonderful building and garden. We were also delighted to be the venue of choice for some wonderful Stony Live events and to welcome some fabulous acts.

A huge thank you to all the volunteers and judges (pictured above) who were here this week for the Britain in Bloom judging day. The day seemed to go really well with lots of positive comments about the projects and areas they visited.

This week also saw us opening our doors as a polling station for the General Election. Other July events include Eat Street, followed by Del Bromham and then the Antipoet - who are kindly giving their time and talent to us as a fundraiser for York House.

Lastly, as the school holidays approach, we are in secret talks with a much loved fellow charity to get a project up and running... watch this space for some hopefully exciting news!

### What's on in July?

We have lots of public events as well as our usual array of fantastic user groups.

[Learn more](#)

## WHAT'S ON @ YORK HOUSE JULY 2024



5th - EatStreet MK 5pm-9pm

6th - SiB Picnic to celebrate 60 years  
of Britain in Bloom 12noon - 2pm

13th- A(nother) Audience with  
Del Bromham 8pm



20th- The Antipoet  
(fundraiser for York House)  
7.30pm-10.30pm



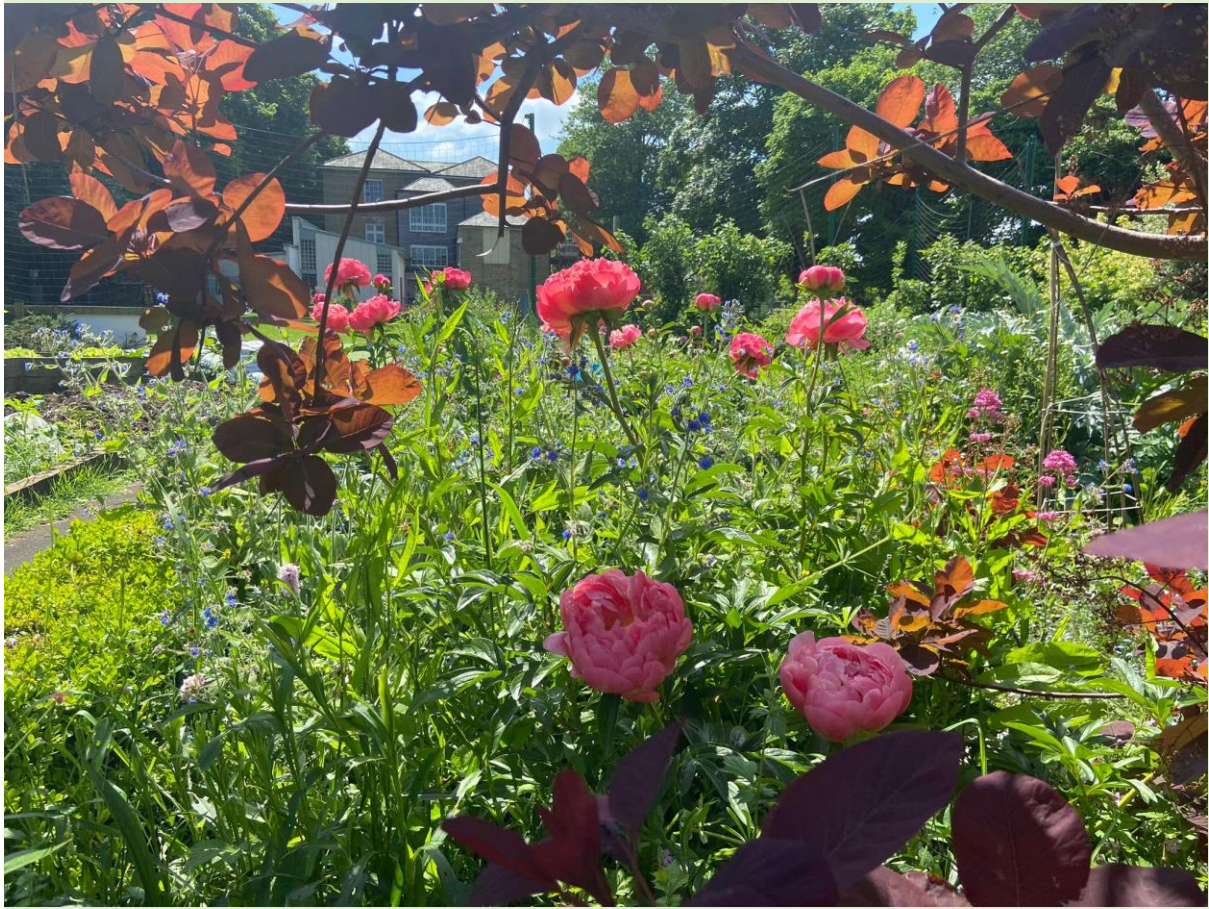
21st - SiB Garden Tidy Up 10am-12 noon



### 60 Years of Britain in Bloom

Join us to celebrate: Saturday 6th July 12noon-2pm





Stony in Bloom will be hosting a picnic in the York House Community Gardens to celebrate 60 years of Britain in Bloom.

This event is open to everyone - just come along with your own picnic and enjoy the gardens.

(Thank you to Stony in Bloom for the gorgeous garden photograph)

**Fundraising Thank You**



A HUGE thank you to Rosemary Hill and The Play's The Thing Theatre Group.

Their recent two night performance of Talking Heads by Alan Bennett raised £880 for our Stables Project.

Watch this space for more Talking Heads monologues coming to York House soon...

**Meet The Team: Malcolm**





**Who are you and what do you do at York House?**

Hello, I am Malcolm. My role is Cleaner/Caretaker, I ensure the building is cleaned daily and welcome events that are held in York House, help out with queries and situations that arise.

**Why York House?**

I love working at York House as we are all one happy family here, which is an important aspect.

**If you could arrange for any musician to play at York House who would it be?**Miss Saigon, the very first musical I went to.

**Support York House!**



**When they are gone, they're gone!**

We still have a few of our lovely, limited edition mugs for sale. At only £10, you'll have a lovely vessel for your tea whilst supporting your favourite community centre.

The picture above shows a mug filled with flowers donated by the Ministry of Plants for our recent plant and craft sale.

You can order the mug (without flowers, or snail) by following the link below and we'll be in touch about how and when you can collect.

[Buy a mug](#)





# THE ANTIPOET

with support from Paul Eccentric

FUNDRAISER FOR YORK HOUSE

[www.wegottickets.com/event/625069](http://www.wegottickets.com/event/625069)



SATURDAY 20TH JULY  
DOORS 7.30PM; EVENT 8PM

TICKETS £10 IN ADVANCE;  
£13 ON THE DOOR



We are febrile to welcome The Antipoet for an entertaining, enthralling and eccentric fundraiser for York House Centre.

'The Antipoet', Paul Eccentric and Ian Newman are comedic beat poets with a double bass and a triangle. An act that defies description and is worth leaving the house for! They have become somewhat successful over the last fifteen years, tirelessly touring the poetry, comedy, steampunk and music circuits appearing at countless festivals including, Glastonbury, Bestival, Camp Bestival, The Edinburgh Fringe, and Brighton.

This will be a brilliant event and supports York House's campaign to raise funds for "Save the Stables" – an essential building project to rescue a significant part of the 160-year-old building and bring it back into full community use.

Of course, there will be a York House bar offering real ale, cider, lager, wine and soft drinks. Doors and bar open at 7.30pm.

Tickets are £10.00 in advance. £13 on the door

[Book tickets](#)

**New User Group Alert:**

**Mark Your Mark!**

Saturday 12th October 10am - 3pm





A one day workshop with textile artist Anna Woodhead exploring mark making on paper and cloth. You will use found and recycled objects for printing, making your own stamps and doing simple monoprinting. This workshop is for people who want to learn easy techniques to make their own prints and have fun being guided by process rather than outcome. No experience needed.

Cost £50 - all materials included



[Contact Anna for more info or to book](#)

**Meet Our User Group: Ecclesia Ministries**

Every month we introduce you to our wonderful user groups and residents.

This month it's Ecclesia Ministries who run an uplifting Sunday Service at York House



Hello and warm greetings from the Ecclesia Ministries Family! We are so pleased to be hosting our uplifting 10am Sunday services from York House, in the lovely community of Stony Stratford.

At Ecclesia, we cherish our non-judgmental supportive environment, where everyone feels loved and accepted. We believe that no matter what walks of life people come from, no matter their past, when the truth within the word of God is truly understood, they can lead joyfully transformed lives filled with meaning and purpose! We believe that an experience with God should be invigorating, captivate your attention, and leave you feeling motivated and empowered.

For over two and a half decades we have been serving the community in Milton Keynes as an non-denomination church. We are led by our visionary Bishop, Winston Carnegie, and his dedicated Pastoral team, on our mission is to continue making a positive difference in the world.

Our foundation is deeply rooted in sharing God's great love: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him we are all children of God, (John3:16-17)

God longs for all of us as His children, to be happy. As a loving Father He guides us, through His word, wanting to inspire, fulfil and give peace. Driven by the desire to practically apply His living word in our lives today, we created an online Bible study platform. These sessions are globally attended! Year after year we have grown due to the insightful, interactive thought- provoking hour we spend together. Now, from Guadeloupe to South Africa, we unite to learn and openly discuss the word of God on Zoom at 6AM & 7PM respectively (*meeting ID 348 076 1123 passcode 777*)

Our vibrant Sunday Services have lively worship music, heartfelt prayer, and captivating sermons - you never leave feeling the same way you walked in! We would love for you join us as we unite people, communities, and our world, by sharing God's Love. We meet at 10am in York House, if you are unable to join in person, the Zoom platform is available (*meeting ID 348 076 1123 passcode 777*) however, you will miss the treats after service.

Our doors are always open, and any prayer requests received are fervently honoured. Please contact us if you'd like us to pray for you or would like to know more about our support services, prayer meetings; men's groups, women's groups, youth groups or our local and global charity initiatives.

We look forward to seeing you all soon!



## Contact Ecclesia Ministries

### York House Youth Club

Wednesdays 5.30pm - 7.30pm



The York House Youth Club is a welcoming and fun place to go on Wednesday evenings during term-time. If you are aged between 7 and 14 years, this is the place to be!!

- Take part in arts and crafts, sports, board games and group games in the hall or outside.
- Perfect for socialising and making new friends.
- Explore the gardens where things are growing or play on the outside play areas.
- Help the youth leaders to plan, make and serve the weekly snack.

A carpark ensures parents and guardians are able to safely drop off and pick up their children. We love being at York House Community Centre as it's an amazing old building with a fantastic garden, perfect for hanging out with friends or playing sports and games.

As a youth organisation we find York House to be extremely versatile, with different spaces to suit various group sizes and new areas to expand into. York House is in an excellent location as a hub of the town, accessible to all with a handy car park.

[Sign up here!](#)

### Our Projects

Don't forget we still have all our other wonderful projects running.

Our Community Larder and café are open every Tuesday from 9.45am-11am

Our fantastic Youth Club runs on a Wednesday from 5.30pm. It is run by our partners Youth Network and kindly funded by Stony Stratford Town Council.

Or if it's you that needs some well deserved 'me-time' then pop along to see the superb Emma Philips and the lovely group running Crafting for Change on a Tuesday morning at 10.30am.

As ever, all details are on our website or click on the icons below.

